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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6136 NOTE PREPARED: Nov 11, 2009

BILL NUMBER: HB 1196 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Meningitis Vaccinations for College Students.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Neese BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that a state educational institution may not permit a student to matriculate in a residential campus of the state educational institution unless the student provides documentation of having been vaccinated for meningococcal meningitis or qualifies for an exemption. The bill repeals the requirement that a state educational institution provide detailed information about meningococcal meningitis to prospective students before they enroll in the state educational institution. It also makes conforming changes.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill requires immunization for meningococcal disease in order to attend a residential campus at a public university. The current statute requires that students provide proof of immunity for diphtheria, tetanus, measles, mumps, and rubella. The statute currently allows for exemptions. The bill could potentially impact the cost of state employee health insurance to the extent that employees' covered dependents do not currently choose to receive this immunization as a first-time student at a residential campus. The fiscal impact would likely be minimal.

The bill would apply to all full-time students physically attending a residential public campus for the first time. This definition would include full-time students who are freshmen, certain students transferring from another institution or campus, and graduate students. The bill does not define a residential campus. However, both IU and Purdue report that all the campuses follow the state law requiring the reporting of immunizations by all students regardless of when they first arrive on campus (freshmen, transfer students, and graduate students).

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<u>Background:</u> The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Pediatric Vaccine Price List indicates the private-sector cost for meningococcal conjugate vaccine is \$98.52 per dose. Students or their insurance carriers would be responsible for payment for the vaccine and any administrative charge.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill could potentially impact the cost of local government employee health insurance to the extent that employees' covered dependents do not currently choose to receive this immunization as first-time students on a residential campus. The fiscal impact would likely be minimal.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: All; state-supported postsecondary institutions.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: CDC Pediatric Vaccine Price List at

http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/cdc-vac-price-list.htm#adult; "Revised Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices to Vaccinate All Persons Aged 11-18 Years with Menningococcal Conjugate Vaccine" at http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5631a3.htm; and Web pages for Purdue University, Indiana University, Ball State University, Indiana State University, Vincennes University, and the University of Southern Indiana.

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